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20	D/OIS/DDA		X		
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**DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY**  
 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301

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12 August 1985

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Honorable William J. Casey  
 Director  
 Central Intelligence Agency  
 Washington, D.C. 20305

Dear Bill,

(S) As you know, we recently made our annual appearance before Congress to testify on the POW/MIA issue. This was followed closely by appearances at the Annual Convention of the League of Families of POW/MIAs. A common denominator of these appearances was intense questioning and some rather abusive allegations from the floor of the League Convention challenging the Government's efforts at collecting, analyzing, and reacting to intelligence pertaining to the issue: "are there Americans still being held against their will in Indochina?" There is a small but very vocal clique, both in Congress and in the League of Families, who believe (for a variety of motives, some very sincere) that the Government is not vigorously pursuing this question or, worse yet, that we have credible information regarding the whereabouts of Americans and refuse to believe it or act on it.

(S) At the League Convention both the Vice President and Bud McFarlane forcefully reiterated the commitment of the Government to the POW/MIA issue, using such language as "this is our very top priority intelligence issue" and "if we receive credible intelligence on the whereabouts of Americans, we will act upon it".

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(S) I had intended to discuss this with you personally, but I could not make our calendars mesh. I am concerned about this issue in light of the scrutiny we are receiving from a number of quarters, to include the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. I would appreciate any insight you could provide  regarding our capabilities in this area.

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Sincerely,

JAMES A. WILLIAMS  
 Lieutenant General, USA  
 Director

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